

# 2013

## Indiana CLEO Fellowship Application



Application must be postmarked by  
**February 27, 2013.**

<http://courts.in.gov/cleo>

**Mail Completed Application to:**

Indiana CLEO

30 S. Meridian St., Ste. 500

Indianapolis, Indiana 46204



**INDIANA CONFERENCE FOR LEGAL EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY**  
**A PROGRAM OF THE INDIANA SUPREME COURT**  
**FELLOWSHIP APPLICATION**  
**SUMMER 2013**

**BACKGROUND:**

“The Indiana Conference for Legal Education Opportunity is established to assist Indiana minority, low-income, or educationally disadvantaged college graduates in pursuing a law degree and a career in the Indiana legal and professional community.”

Indiana Code 33-24-13-2

**History**

The Indiana Conference for Legal Education Opportunity (ICLEO) was established at the urging of former Chief Justice Randall T. Shepard by the Indiana General Assembly. In 1997, Governor Frank O'Bannon signed the law giving funding to CLEO (see I.C. 33-24-13). ICLEO's purpose then and now is to assist Indiana minority, low income, or educationally disadvantaged college graduates in pursuing a law degree and a career in the Indiana legal community.

The ICLEO Summer Institute is held annually to introduce new ICLEO Fellows to the program. In 1997, 30 students enrolled in the first ICLEO institute at Indiana University in Bloomington and 25 students went on to graduate from law school, representing all of Indiana's law schools. Since 1997, over 450 students have successfully completed the Summer Institute.

**Eligibility**

To be eligible for consideration for participation in the ICLEO Fellowship program, applicants should be Indiana minority students, low income students, first generation college students. The Advisory Committee reviews each application for academic potential, potential for success,

**Summer Institute**

The Summer Institute is an intense preparatory tool designed to help students become accustomed to what they will experience as law students. In a short period of time, participants are immersed into some of the required first year law school courses. While the courses vary each year, the intensity of the program remains the same. Participants not only receive support and assistance from faculty, but from teaching assistants who are ICLEO Fellows and have also successfully completed the Summer Institute experience. In order to maintain the rigor of the program, participants are not permitted to work during the Summer Institute and must reside in provided housing. There is no cost to participate for selected students.

Participants begin law school with confidence and develop bonds with their ICLEO classmates that often evolve into lasting friendships. The support and encouragement they are able to offer one another during law school and beyond is invaluable.

**Annual Stipend**

Students who successfully complete the Summer Institute and become certified graduates of the program may be eligible for an annual stipend. Stipends may be awarded for up to three successive academic years if the student remains eligible. The annual stipend currently is \$6,500 for IU Maurer & IU McKinney (public) and \$9,000 for Valparaiso & Notre Dame (private).

The Indiana CLEO Program also helps students locate law-related summer employment after their first and second years of law school with Indiana appellate courts, trial courts, other governmental employers, and law firms.

## **2013 Summer Institute**

Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law

June 9, 2013 – July 20, 2013

Indianapolis, Indiana

### **TO APPLY TO THE ICLEO FELLOWSHIP:**

- ◆ You must be planning to enter law school in **Fall 2013**.
- ◆ Carefully read and follow the instructions throughout the entire application.
- ◆ Attach all required documents.
- ◆ Sign and date the application.
- ◆ Keep a copy of your completed application and attachments for your records.
- ◆ You must be able to report LSAT scores by the application deadline.
- ◆ **DO NOT STAPLE APPLICATION MATERIALS.**
- ◆ **DO NOT SUBMIT FOLDERS, BINDERS, or REPORT COVERS.**
- ◆ **LATE or INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE REVIEWED.**
- ◆ You must submit **THREE** copies of your application and attachments (original plus two copies).

### **CHECKLIST**

Before submitting your application, please be sure all required materials are included.

**You must submit THREE copies of your application and attachments (original plus two copies).** You may bind each copy with a single paper clip or small binder clip.

- \_\_\_\_\_ Application (pages 4-10 only)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Resume
- \_\_\_\_\_ Law School Application Personal Statement
- \_\_\_\_\_ ICLEO Essay
- \_\_\_\_\_ Federal Student Aid Report
- \_\_\_\_\_ Two Letters of Recommendation (mailed separately)

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Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

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**COMPLETED APPLICATION MUST BE POSTMARKED BY FEBRUARY 27, 2013.**



**APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION TO THE  
INDIANA CONFERENCE FOR LEGAL EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY  
FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM SUMMER 2013**

Please print or type all information on this application.

**I. PERSONAL INFORMATION**

☐ Female ☐ Male

\_\_\_\_\_  
Last Name First Name Middle

\_\_\_\_\_  
Permanent Mailing Address P.O. Box or Apt. No. City, State, Zip Code

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State of Residency/Number of Years Permanent Email Address Phone  
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Birth Date mm/dd/yyyy Place of Birth (City, State)

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Are you a U.S. citizen? ☐ Yes ☐ No

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If no, are you a permanent resident? ☐ Yes ☐ No Country /Visa Type:

**RACE/ETHNICITY (SELECT ALL THAT APPLY):**

☐ White (Non-Hispanic) ☐ Black or African American ☐ Asian ☐ Hispanic

☐ Native American or Alaska Native ☐ Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander

☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**MILITARY SERVICE**

Are you a veteran of the United States armed services? ☐ Yes ☐ No

**EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND**

Are you a first generation college student? ☐ Yes ☐ No

\_\_\_\_\_  
Is English your first/native language? ☐ Yes ☐ No Are you bi/multilingual? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If you are bi/multilingual, please list the languages in order of fluency.

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

## II. TEST SCORES & ENROLLMENT PLANS

### LSAT Scores

Date of LSAT Exam (mm/yyyy)	LSAT Score

If you have not taken the LSAT, please list the dates you are scheduled to take the exam. You must report LSAT scores to the ICLEO office before February 27, 2013.

### Scheduled LSAT Dates

Have you applied for admission to law school before this year? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please list the schools, date of application, and the admission decision.

Law School	Date Applied	Admission Decision (Admitted, Denied, Waitlisted)

Which Indiana law schools have you applied to or plan to apply to this year?

☐ IU Maurer School of Law

☐ University of Notre Dame Law School

☐ IU Robert H. McKinney School of Law

☐ Valparaiso University Law School

I plan to enroll in law school as a: ☐ Beginning Full-Time Student ☐ Beginning Part-Time Student

**Failure to apply to an Indiana law school will disqualify your application. We recommend that you apply to all Indiana law schools prior to February 2013, regardless of the actual application deadline at each school.**

List all of the law schools where you have applied or plan to apply to for **Fall 2013**:

1. _____	4. _____
2. _____	5. _____
3. _____	6. _____

### III. ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Please list your high school, and all colleges, universities, graduate and professional schools attended (in order of attendance):

Name of School		Location (City, State)	Degree/ GPA	Graduation Date (or Expected)
High School				
College				
College				
Graduate School				
Graduate School				

### IV. ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND ACTIVITIES

Please include a resume to complete your fellowship application.

Please provide the following information if your resume does not reflect this information. If necessary, please attach a separate sheet of paper.

**A. List any significant academic or professional accomplishments not reflected in the LSDAS Report or otherwise included on this form.**

Accomplishment/Honor

Date Awarded


**B. List any volunteer service in which you are or have been involved.**

Activity

Dates of Participation

Specify Membership/Leadership Position(s)


## V. CHARACTER AND FITNESS

Please check 'yes' or 'no' for each question. If the answer to any of the following questions is 'yes' you must supplement this application with a full explanation of circumstances for each affirmatively answered question on a separate sheet or form, where indicated. If a form is required, it is included with this application. Please also note that there are character, fitness, and other qualifications for admission to the bar. You are encouraged, prior to making this application and prior to matriculation to law school, to familiarize yourself with the Indiana bar requirements.

- A. Have you ever been disciplined, warned, placed on academic or disciplinary probation, dropped, expelled or requested or advised to resign from any post-secondary school, college, university, professional school, or law school?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please explain fully on a separate sheet and label it, **"Supplement to Character and Fitness (A)."**

- B. Have you ever been disciplined, suspended, warned, or allowed to resign from any profession?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please explain fully on a separate sheet and label it, **"Supplement to Character and Fitness (B)."**

- C. Have you ever been convicted of any violations of the law or adjudicated delinquent in a juvenile court including, but not limited to, all juvenile matters, felonies, misdemeanors, infractions, placed on probation, granted deferred adjudication, or any type of pretrial diversion in any jurisdiction (you may exclude parking violations)? If you are unsure about the nature or ultimate disposition of a particular charge, it is your responsibility to check the court records before you respond to this question.

☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please explain fully on the form provided labeled, **"Supplement to Character and Fitness (C)."**

- D. In addition to the convictions set forth in "C" above, have you ever been arrested or accused of violations of the law or subject of any investigation of a violation of the law including, but not limited to, all juvenile matters, felonies, misdemeanors, infractions, traffic offenses, and anything else? (Parking violations DO NOT need to be included.)

☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please explain fully on form provided labeled, **"Supplement to Character and Fitness Form (D)"** for each instance.

- E. Are you currently involved in pending litigation, civil (including but not limited to bankruptcy, divorce, guardianship, small claims, landlord/tenant, and personal protective orders) or criminal?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please explain fully on the form provided labeled **"Supplement to Character and Fitness Form (E)"** for each instance.

## VI. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Please provide one copy of your FAFSA Student Aid Report for the 2013-2014 academic year. If you have not completed a FAFSA, please visit <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov> and complete an application and retrieve your student aid report.

Is/was your family income at any time dependent in whole or in part on public assistance? ☐ Yes ☐ No

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How many of your immediate family members are enrolled in college?

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How many people currently reside in your household? (Indicate: Self, Spouse, Children, Mother, Father, etc.)

Please list the anticipated source(s) of income that you will receive to help pay for tuition, fees, and living expenses during law school.

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Estimated amount of Income	Source
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Estimated amount of Income	Source
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## VII. PERSONAL STATEMENTS & ESSAY

The Indiana CLEO program's principal goal is helping those individuals who want to live, work, and make a difference in the Indiana legal community.

- I. Please share with the Indiana CLEO Advisory Committee why you should be selected for the 2013 Indiana CLEO Summer Institute and Fellowship Program. **Your answer may not exceed 500 words.**
- II. Please select and address two of the prompts below in an essay. **Your answer may not exceed 700 words.**
  - a. Describe the legacy you want to leave behind.
  - b. Discuss the challenges you foresee in law school and how might you overcome those challenges.
  - c. Describe your most challenging moment.
  - d. Discuss an event or events that helped define who you are today.
  - e. List and explain personal traits and/or beliefs that have contributed to your academic and professional success to date.
- III. Please include a copy of your law school application personal statement.





**RECOMMENDATION LETTERS  
INDIANA CONFERENCE FOR LEGAL EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY  
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**VIII. RECOMMENDATION LETTERS**

Please provide two recommendation letters to complete your fellowship application. You may submit letters from professors, former employers, or other professionals who have personal knowledge of your academic performance and intellectual potential.

**Please list the names of your recommenders:**

Recommender #1

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number

Recommender #2

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number

**Recommendation letters must be RECEIVED by February 27, 2013.**

Recommendation letters should be mailed separately to:

Indiana CLEO  
RE: Recommendation Letters  
Division of State Court Administration  
30 S. Meridian Street, Suite 500  
Indianapolis, IN 46204



## APPLICATION CERTIFICATION & RELEASE INDIANA CONFERENCE FOR LEGAL EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

### IX. APPLICATION CERTIFICATION & RELEASE OF INFORMATION

I have checked this application for errors and omissions. To the best of my knowledge, all of the information is complete and accurate as reported. I fully understand and agree that this application is a continuing application and agree that if any matter contained herein shall be changed by any event or incident, I will immediately notify the Indiana CLEO Advisory Committee of such change.

By signing this application, I hereby allow any organization or entity which has information about my financial status or status as a law school applicant to release to the Indiana CLEO Advisory Committee or its agents any and all information including, but not limited to, LSDAS reports and recommendation letters. I understand that my completed Financial Aid form and entire law school application packages may be released to the Indiana CLEO, Indiana CLEO Advisory Committee, or its agents. Also, if I am selected as an Indiana CLEO Fellow, by signing this release I authorize the Indiana law school that I attend to release my academic records, including all law school grades throughout my law school education and upon graduation to Indiana CLEO staff upon their request.

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Applicant Signature

Date